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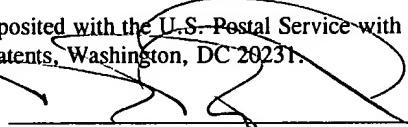
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Based on Applicant's review of the accompanying publications, those cited below appear to be more germane than the others. The Examiner should, of course, conduct his own review of the publications to make any determination in this regard.

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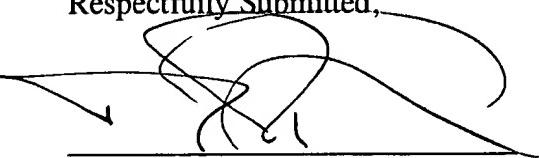
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understanding in this regard is incorrect, please charge any such fees to Deposit Order Account 141449. For this purpose, a duplicate of this document is enclosed.

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